House Resolution No. 1399

Whereas, it is with the utmost respect that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause in their diverse legislative duties in order to recognize those Show-Me State residents who have attained rare, momentous milestones in their lives; and

Whereas, Raymond Loyd Wilson of Goodman, Missouri, has attained distinction as a member of the American Legion's Archie Boyer Post 479; and

Whereas, participating in Post 479 activities since soon after the successful completion of World War II, Raymond Wilson is observing the Fiftieth Anniversary of his joining that prestigious service-oriented organization; and

Whereas, Loyd Wilson was on active duty with the United States military from July 13, 1944, until August 15, 1946, in the Asiatic Pacific Theater of operations where he valiantly served in the Philippines and Japan; and

Whereas, during his wartime activities, Loyd Wilson earned the World War II Victory Medal, the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon with one Bronze Battle Star, a Bronze Service Arrowhead, and the Philippine Liberation Ribbon with one Bronze Battle Star; and

Whereas, born on July 10, 1922, Loyd Wilson is the beloved son of James and Almedia Wilson; loving husband of Norene Wilson; and wonderful father of Alice Kezar, Randy Wilson, Calvin Wilson, and Ralph Wilson; and

Whereas, Loyd Wilson supported his growing family down through the years by driving a gas truck, an endeavor he continued to perform diligently until his well-deserved retirement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to salute military veteran Loyd Wilson and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest congratulations upon reaching the Fifty Year mark in his membership with the patriotic American Legion organization and our best wishes for continued personal success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of Raymond Loyd Wilson of Goodman, Missouri.

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 1399, adopted April 3, 2003.